

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY JUNE 20, 2012

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SENATE BILL

No. 789

Introduced by Senator Price

February 18, 2011

An act to add Section 52052.61 to the Education Code, relating to school accountability.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 789, as amended, Price. Public School Performance Accountability Program: Creative and Innovative Education Index.

The Public Schools Accountability Act of 1999 requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop an Academic Performance Index (API), ~~which measures~~ *to measure* the performance of schools and the academic performance of pupils. Existing law requires the Superintendent to establish an advisory committee to advise the Superintendent and the State Board of Education on all appropriate matters relative to the creation of the API and the implementation of an accountability system. Existing law requires the Superintendent and the state board, in consultation with the advisory committee, by July 1, 2013, to make recommendations to the Legislature and the Governor on, among other things, the establishment of a methodology for generating a measurement of group and individual academic performance growth by using individual pupil results from a longitudinally valid achievement assessment system.

This bill would require the advisory committee to consult, as appropriate, with individuals who are experts or have experience in

innovation in the fields of business, science, technology, mathematics, engineering, and arts education on the development of a voluntary Creative and Innovative Education Index, to be based in part on the creative opportunities in each participating school, as specified. The bill would require the advisory committee to make recommendations by June 1, ~~2013~~ 2014, to the Superintendent on the extent to which this index ~~should be part of the state's accountability system and methods~~ *may be used* to foster creative and innovative education in the public schools.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 52052.61 is added to the Education Code,
2 immediately following Section 52052.6, to read:
3 52052.61. The advisory committee established pursuant to
4 Section 52052.5 shall consult, as appropriate, with individuals who
5 are experts or have experience in innovation in the fields of
6 business, science, technology, mathematics, engineering, and arts
7 education on the development of a voluntary Creative and
8 Innovative Education Index. The index shall be based in part on
9 the creative opportunities in each participating school as measured
10 by the availability of classes and before and after school programs
11 that provide creative opportunities for pupils, including, but not
12 necessarily limited to, arts education, debate clubs, science fairs,
13 theater performances, concerts, and filmmaking. The advisory
14 committee shall consider the extent to which this index ~~should be~~
15 ~~part of the state's accountability system and methods~~ *may be used*
16 to foster creative and innovative education in the public schools.
17 By June 1, ~~2013~~ 2014, the advisory committee shall make
18 recommendations to the Superintendent on the matters considered
19 by the advisory committee regarding the index.